

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: DEPUY MITEK, INC.

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Entitled: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ATTACHING SOFT TISSUE TO BONE

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